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Applicant: Quinn  
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Classification Entities in a Tree-Ordered Classification Hierarchy

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**AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2005, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.